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Death Rate in Philadelphia Double Normal Figures

SCHOOLS AND MILLS CLOSED

Health Department Warns People Against Attending Any Public Gatherings.

Philadelphia, Dec. 23-The deatl rate from the epedemic of la grippe now sweping the state has been so high that Samuel D. Dixon, state health commissioner, issued a state situation and cautioned the public that, if the disease is to be averted 'sacrifices must be made."

"Keep out of crowded places," Dr. Dixon says, "as one person having the grippe may give it to a carload of passengers.

In Philadelphia the bureau of vital statistics issued 650 burial permits the first three days of this week, the majority of the deaths being due directly or indirectly to la grippe. This is more than double the ordinary death rate. It is estimated that near ly 15,000 persons in Philadelphia alone are suffering with the disease, which has been particularly fatal to the very old and the very young. At tendance at all the public schools has been greatly reduced and in several sections of the state schools have

been forced to close. Factories, department stores and other business houses also have been affected and in many instances the number of employes obliged to stay it home has been so great as to seriously curtail operations. Hundreds of firemen and policemen are ill at their homes, while the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company reports 400 of its employes off duty.

Reports from Camden, N. night were to the effect that there are at least a thousand cases in that city with fifty deaths in the last

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FORD SAILS FOR HOME

Peace Party Has Not Abandoned Hope of Accomplishing Mission London, Dec. 24.-Henry Ford has safled for America, according to dispatches received here from Bergen. The other members of the party will continue their expedition on the Os-

CHRISTMAS PICTURES

Singing. On Christmas afternoon as the car ols are being sung around the com munity trees famous paintings of the nativity will be thrown upon a curtain on the piazza of the Putnam house to illustrate the carols. As the people are gathering, Raphaels famous Madonna of the choir will be on the curtain to greet them. The first number 'Hark the Herald Angels Sing" will be illustrated by Blashfield's Christmas Chimes and Blermans Ascension. A general view of the town of Bethleham and Correggia's Madonna Adoring the Child picture the thought in the carol, "O Little Town of Bthlenem", "Silent Night" is illustrated by Rolles "Nativity." The closing carol. 'It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" is illustrated in the first stanza by Plockhorsts "Birth of Jesus an tounced to the Shepherds" and in the second and for the closing picture Raphaels triumph, "The Listine Madoma. There has been trouble inecuring the pictures desired but the ommittee in charge expect every thing to be in readiness by six o'clock Christmas afternoon.

COURT TAKES RECESS

Excused Until Monday, January 10

The December term of county cour Thursday afternoon took a recess entil Monday January 10, and the arors were excused until that date. It is understood that the suit o Walter Hollister against Charles I Oatman, in which \$10,000 damages are claimed for the loss of the 16 year-old boy's eyes who was shot in the face with a charge of peas while stealing grapes from the Oatman gar den in this village early in September will be begun January 12. A shor case is understood to have preced ence over the Hollister-Catman case The courf case of John V. D. S. Merrill vs Ira J. Wood, executor o the estate of Edna Clark was heard brought to collect for legal services No decision was announced.

Y. M. C. A. Notes

Next Tuesday, at 8 o'clock, there will be a social evening at the Y. M. C. A., given by and for the fellows and girls home over the holidays senior, and older intermediate mem bers and friends.

It will be an "open house night," The bowling alleys, pocket billiard tables, and other games will be at the disposal of all. There will be games in the gym and refreshment will be served by the Ladies' auxili

It will be the one big get-togethe light of the holidays and the young copie are anticipating a very enejy ble evening

Last night in the Y. M. C. ie Senior 2nd, Basket Ball team played the No. Bennington Boys and beat them by a score of 21 to 15. The Estimination boys did very well for a oung team and after they get in orm, they plan to play the big team for championship. The feature play LOST Les black Pers an eat, answers to ing last night was done by Morrissey, and of the brey, Finder ie urn to Datey | Friedman and McGuire.

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TO CELEBRATE MIDNIGHT MASS

Services at Sacred Heart and St. Francis de Sales to Be Repeated Sunday Morning,

The choirs of the Bennington churches have made the usual extensive arrangements for the observance of the Christmas festival Midnight mass will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart and St. Francis de Sales churches. The programs follow:

Sacred Heart Church

At the Sacred Heart church mid night mass and all services will be celebrated by the pastor, Rev. C. E Prevost ,who will also deliver the sermon. The choir, under the direction of Edmond Noel, choir master, and Miss Emma Lamarre, organist, will be assisted by Miss Roselia Tetrault and Condon G. Badger, violinists. 'Minuit Chretiens"-A. Adam solo-

Ernest Marcoux. Introite-"Dominus dixit ad me." Full Choir.

Kyrie-Mass in F-A Rosewig, solo--Miss Alice Rosseau and Miss Denise Bellemarre.

Gloria-Solo-Joseph A. Pellerin, Edmond Hepette and Miss Florence Noel Sourie du Ciel-Christmas Medita-Orchestra Sermon-Rev. CH Rev. C. E. Prevest. Sermon-Tredo-Rosewig Joseph Pellerin Solo-

Solo-Joseph Pellerin, Edmond He pelle, Alice Rousseau. 'Et Incarnatus Est"-Solo-Ernest Marcoux, with violin obligato Offertory-"Adestes Fideles", Novelo Ductt-Miss Denise Bellemarre, and

Idrnest Marcoux and Orchestra Rosewi Solo-Gaudias Lacronix Azmus Dei-Rosewin

Solo-Edmund Noel Miss Florence Noel. Miss Alice Rousseau, Joseph Pellerin, and

Ernest Marcoux. ommunion Hymn-"A Jesus Infant Joseph Pellerin.

Messe de l' Aurore will be said after the midnight services and Christ mas hymns will be sung by the choir Christmas Day mass will be said at 10 o'clock, followed by the Benedic tion of the Blessed Sacrament. The midnight program will be re

eated the following Sunday. Those who are to assist in the program are as follows: Mrs Adjutor Marcoux, Miss Alice Rous seau, Miss Marie-Anne Guathier, Miss Reginn Roy, Miss Rose Durand, Miss Lee Roy, Miss Florence Noel, Miss Leda Vachon, Miss Denise Bellemarre Joseph A. Pellerin, Ernest Marcoux Joseph Roy, Edmond Hepelle, Gaudias Lacroix, Eugene Bren, Edmond Noel, director.

Methodist Church At the Methodist church Sunday

Christmas services will be held. Morning service 10.30 Organ Prelude-Christmas March

Finger Carol-Sweetly the Bells are Chiming Hymn-Morning Star

Reginald Heber Anthem-Break Forth With Joy Pastor's Subject-

"A Changed Course' Anthem-Christians Awake Adolph Frey Organ Postlude

Swift In the evening the Sunday school will give a Christmas Concert Organ Prelude Hymn 125-O Come All Ye Faithful

Prayer by Pastor Address of Welcome Roger Thompson Christmas Story

Miss Cora Moon's Class Dialogue-The Childrens' Christmas Song

Leona George, Marion Towsley, Lena Miller and Maude Towsley Recitation-"The Babe of Bethlehem Cora Atwood

Recitation-The Child and King Alma Chapman I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day Robert Benjamin Hymn 112-There's a Song in the

Dialogue-Why Does Christmas Make Us Happy Ella Gay and Marion Hollister Marie Colgroy Recitation The Star and the Angels

Recitation-Another Christmas Hilda Benjamin Offering Song-Sleep, Sleep

Ladies' Quartette Poem-The Christmas Sheaf Miss Minerva Holmes Hymn 123

St. Francis de Sales Midnight Mass will be celebrated at St. Francis de Sales church at 12 o'-

preceding the Mass, Miss Rose Morrissey will sing. Soprano Solo-"Cantique de Noel" Violin Obligato Harold Hurley

Processional-"What Say the Bells' Chancel Choir Messe Solennelle Edwardo Marzo 'Kyrie"-Duet: Miss Margaret Larin

Miss Margaret Hayes "Gloria"-Solos: John McCormick Margaret McGuire William Shaw

Duet: John McCormick William McGurn "Oni tollis"-Trio: William Shaw Mary Parker

Nellie McGurn Chorus "Credo"-Solo Howard A. Wilson E. C. Bennett

'Et Incarmatus"-Soprano Solo and Obligato Miss Rose Morrissey "Et unam sanctam"-Duet: Miss Morrissey Mr. Wilson

Offertory-"Adeste Fideles" Chancel Choir "Sanctus" Chorus 'Benedictus" 'Agnus Del"-Duet: Chorus Miss Eliza McGurn Miss Agnes Dorion

Celebration of Holy Communion Violin Solo-"Adalgo" Harold R. Hurley Recessional-"Softly the Night"

Meredith Chancel Choir Postlude Orchestra E. C. Bennett Director Miss Helen F. Hurley Organist Orchestra. Harold R. Hurley Violin

Clarinet Harold Cook Murray Hamilton Cornet The entire service will be repeated at the church at 10.30 o'clock Sunday forenoon.

Baptist Church Morning Service at 10.30 Organ Prelude-"The Birth of Christ'

Malling Old French Carol arranged by

Responsive Reading Selection 61 and Gloria Hymn-89 Scriptive Reading, Luke 2; 1-20 Anthem-"Hark the Herald Angels

Schnecker Sing' Prayer and Response Offertory-"The Holy Night" Dudley Buck Anthem-"Calm on the Listening

Ear of Night" Marzo Hvmn-94Sermon-Peace on Earth Anthem-"Glorla" Fiske Lenediction Postlude- Christmas Themes'

Gigout The usual evening service will be held at 7.30, topic. The Difference Christ has Made.

REEVES HEADS STATE MILITIA

President of Norwich University Succeeds Col. H. T. Johnson, Resigned. Montpelier, Dec. 22-At a meeting of the staff and line officers of the 1st Vermont infantry this evening in the office of Adjt. Gen. Lee S. Tillotson, Capt. Ira L. Reeves, president and commandant of Norwich university, was elected colonel of the 1st regiment t succeed Col. Herbert T. Johnson of Bradford, who recently resigned his commission. There was a contest for the honor between Lieut Col. F. B. Thomas of Montpelier and Capt. Reeves.

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Zurich, Dec. 24.-The greatest artillery battle in Alsace since the open ing of the war is in progress according to reports brought from the Swiss frontier. Shells are reported falling at the rate of 40 to 80 a minute. The French and German losses during the five days fighting Chorus are placed at 15,000.

> London, Dec. 23-The German forees at the Hartmannsweilerkopf, the desperately contested peak in the Vosges which was the scene of a notable French victory on Tuesday, further decreased the French gains today by retaking the positions wrested from them Tuesday on the left ern slopes of the mountain. At this point the French troops retreated to the trenches they occupied before the

> According to the official communique issued by the French war office tonight the conquered positions on a front of two kilometers are still in the hands of the French as the fruits of Tuesday's attack. These positions are on the French center and right, taking in the heights southeast of the summit and to the south as far as the Wattweller farm.

> A heavy snow storm interrupted the infantry fighting today, but this afternoon the German artillery began a violent bombardment of the summit and the northern slopes and it is preumed that further counter attacks will be made as soon as the weather onditions are more favorable.

> The French repulse appears from the German official statement issued today to have been serious. The Berlin war office claims the capture of twenty-three officers and 1,530 men in the counter attacks, the figures given yesterday by the French war office of more than 1,300 Germans cap tured in the attacks of Tuesday are contradicted by the German report, which asserts that the total German losses thus far ascertained including killed, wounded and missing, were only 1,100 men and that the number of prisoners taken was not more than half of the number given in the French communique.

The discrepancy between French and German versions of the possession of the summit of Hartmannsweilerkopf persists in today's statements, the Germans announcing they have recaptured the summit, which they insist was taken from them Tues day, while the French, who have steadlly claimed possession of the summit since April, say the Germans N. Hawkins, So. Shaltsbury, are now bombarding the summit, im- O. O. Ware. plying that it is still in French hands. S. B. Taylor, Manchester Depot, Vt.

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-make sure your digestive organs are working right and - when needed-take

NORTH BENNINGTON

Joseph Kelly has moved from Hawks ave., to one of Samuel Tacy's

tenements on West street. Mr. and Mrs. John Woodlock of Am ierst, Long Island, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Basset Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hart and daughters will spend Christmas in Johnsonville, N. Y., with Mr. Hart's

John H. Cushman and family of Irvington on the Hudson are Christmas guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

H. T. Cushman. Mr and Mrs. Harry F. Burns of Brooklyn, N. Y., are the guests of Mrs. Burna' sister, Mrs. G. B. Welling for the holidays.

Mrs. W. B. Arnold and children of Newtonville, Mass., are enjoying the holiday season with Mrs. Arnold's mother, Mrs. M. C. Huling.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rabner of South Shaftsbury and N. Rabner of Malone, N. Y., will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Mattison Christmas day.

Mrs. Arthur Buffum of Bennington is visiting her brother. Wm. Hagar. of the French position on the north- Mrs. Buffum has but recently recover

ed from a long run of typhoid fever. The Christmas exercises given by the Grammar and Intermediate grades combined Thursday afternoon at 2.30, were attended by a goodly number of interested parents and friends. The songs and recitations were well rendered and a play entitled "A Strike in Santa Claus Land" was exceptionally good and showed much care in its preparation. Following the exercises, Santa Claus entered from the fire escape, instead of in the old fashioned way, and distributed gifts to each pupil from a beautifully decorated tree.

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